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FROM ONE RUGBY TO ANOTHER A Gift from Canada (By the Mayor of Rugby)

ACT I.

The Mayor is sitting in his parlor at The Lawn, when there is a knock at the door and a lady enters with a parcel. "Here's a parcel for you, sir." "For me; are you sure?" "Yes, sir. It is addressed to 'His Worship the Mayor of Rugby.'" You couldn't get away from that, could you? "Thank you very much."

ACT II.

The Mayor proceeds to open the parcel, and having done so, discovers therein thirty small packages of chocolates and a letter, which explains everything.

ACT III., AND THE SEQUEL

Here is the letter:—

R.R. Rugby, Didsbury, Alberta, Canada.

To His Worship the Mayor of Rugby, England.

Dear Sir,—The children of Rugby School, Canada, greet you. We hope our small gift will in some way help your Christmas festivity. Our Municipal District of Rugby was established 34 years ago. It is on the edge of prairie wheat fields with the Rocky Mountains on the west of us. Rugby School is far from being a replica of your famous boys' centre. It is a one-room rural school, housing thirty pupils of all ages, sizes, and grades. The boys and girls are eager to hear from someone in your Rugby. We wish that the mailing date had not crept up so quickly as we would have made our letter longer then. We hope our little gift will reach you without mishap. May it serve as our Christmas card to our Rugby friends from your Rugby friends. Our sincere wishes are that your Christmas shall be a joyous one and the New Year bring you peace.

Alberta Hutchinson,
Teacher.

The sequel of this very kindly and thoughtful action on the part of the pupils in the Rugby School, Canada, was that thirty boys and girls in Rugby, England, had a happier Christmas than they otherwise would have had.

You may depend that my little friends in Canada will hear from the Mayor of Rugby, unless the enemy destroys the boat.

Will Enforce Sugar Rationing

Only persons residing in isolated areas where it is impossible to visit a store every two weeks, are entitled to purchase more than two weeks' supply of sugar, in accordance with the standard ration of three-quarters of a pound per person per week, states Walter S. Campbell, Prices and Supply Representative for Alberta. It is the duty of storekeepers to question customers whose purchases appear to be above the ration quota, and to take their names for reference, he says.

In Quebec last week, several women who bought 100-pound sacks of sugar at the start of rationing, were convicted, fined with the option of imprisonment, and order to return all sugar in excess of the ration allowance.



Seed Grain at Cost

In order to assist in the distribution of better seed grain, Federal Elevators are participating in the work of the Provincial Crop Improvement Associations.

If you require Registered or Certified Seed, see your Federal Agent.



Town Council Appoint Committee.

The organization meeting of the town council for 1942 was held on Monday evening with Mayor Reiber in the chair.

The regular meeting nights were set as the first and third Mondays in each month.

The following committees and boards were appointed:

Public Works: Councillor Spence

Finance: Mayor Reiber and Councillor Gooder.

Police and License: Councillors Lantz and Spence.

Sanitation: Councillors Wrigglesworth and McFarquhar.

Relief: Councillors McFarquhar and Wrigglesworth.

Fire and Property: Councillors Gooder and Rieder.

The first named on each committee was appointed chairman.

Hospital Board: Mayor Reiber and Councillor McFarquhar.

Library Board: Councillor McFarquhar, Mrs. Huget, Messrs. C. R. Ford and W. A. Austin.

Local Board of Health: Messrs. A. C. Fisher, Ivan Weber and Councillor Gooder, who was appointed representative to Rosebud Health Unit.

Building Inspectors: Councillor Gooder, Messrs. Ed. Ford and F. Kaufman.

Councillor Spence was appointed deputy mayor for the ensuing three months.

E. B. Nowers, of Calgary, was appointed assessor and A. Brusso auditor.

A resolution from the Union of Alberta Municipalities to the Dominion Government with regard to the rehabilitation of soldiers after the war, was endorsed. The resolution stated that the municipalities considered that this matter was the sole responsibility of the Dominion Government.

A grant of \$50.00 was made to the Salvation Army for their social work.

Honor Bride-to-be

About 65 friends and neighbors gathered at the home of Mrs. Erick Nelson on Saturday afternoon when Mrs. Nelson, Mrs. Brooke, Mrs. Peck and Mrs. Holmes were joint hostesses at a kitchen shower in honor of Miss Norma Sanderman, bride of next month.

Miss Sanderman was presented with many beautiful gifts. Miss Enid Nelson and Miss Vera Sanderman assisted. A pleasing speech in response of her appreciation was made by the guest of honor. A dainty lunch was then served by the hostesses.

Canada's Womens Army Needs Recruits

The Canadians Women's Army are asking for recruits for a large number of trades. A list of the trades and qualifications can be seen at the Pioneer office.

Recruits must be British subjects, from 21 to 41 years of age, be medically fit with not lower than category "B" and have educational qualifications not lower than grade VIII.

Municipalities to hold Annual Meetings

Mountain View and Westerdale Municipalities will hold their annual meetings on Saturday afternoon at 1 o'clock p.m. The former will be held at the Olds School of Agriculture and the latter at the Westerdale Hall.

Nominations for Councillors for terms of three years will also be received. In Mountain View the elections will be in divisions 4 and 5 where Dodd and Trimble are the retiring councillors, while in Westerdale the elections are in Divisions 2 and 3 with councillors Frank Jackson and Alec Hogg retiring.

At the Westerdale meeting a special discussion will be held on the hospital question.

F. S. Grisdale Receives Appointment

The appointment of F. S. Grisdale, well known farmer of Olds district, former principal of the Olds School of Agriculture and former minister of Agriculture of the U.F.A. government, as deputy foods administrator in the Wartime Prices and Trade Board has been announced.

Mr. Grisdale will serve as deputy to Hon. Gordon Taggart, food administrator and Saskatchewan Agricultural minister. An authority on agricultural matters, he has been associated with the Wartime Prices and Trade Board for some time.

Celebrates 83rd Birthday.

Mr. Wilson Blain, who is an old-timer in the Elkton district, celebrated his 83rd birthday on February 8th. Many of his children, grandchildren and friends called on him to offer their congratulations.

Mr. Blain was one of the first settlers in the Elkton district, coming there in 1908. He is still quite active and does a lot of work around the farm yard.

War Savings Figures for 1941

The National War Finance Committee have released figures with regard to War Savings Certificates sales.

December reports have been completed and these would indicate that for a period of nine months ending December 31st, 1941, there had been made in Didsbury 1,439 applications for War savings certificates to the value of \$10,360.00.

The total amount invested in War Savings in Alberta during the year 1941 was \$4,544,317.00 and since the inception of War Savings Alberta has invested \$6,277,760.

During 1941 the sales of certificates expressed in dollars per capita of population, indicates that Alberta's entire population invested \$5.77 a piece.

It may be of further interest to note that in all these summaries of figures Alberta stands midway in the nine provinces, with four provinces showing better in every direction, and four provinces showing results that do not equal those of Alberta.

Men's heavy Jumbo wool sweaters \$3.25 and up at Scott's

DIDSBURY MARKETS

BUTTERFAT	
Delivered Basis at Crystal Dairy	
Special	32c
No. 1	30c
No. 2	25c
Table cream	42c
EGGS	
Grade A Large	26c
Grade A Medium	25c
Pullet	17c
Grade B	16c
Grade C	14c

Victory Loan Beacon Tuesday Evening

The Didsbury Boy scouts will light a beacon fire on the butte on Tuesday evening, Feb. 24th to remind the people of the district that the second Victory Loan Drive is in progress.

It will be one of a chain of beacons which the Boy Scouts will light throughout the length and breadth of Canada. The fire will be lit at 8 p.m.

Didsbury Bonspiel Starts Tuesday.

The local annual bonspiel will get under way on Tuesday next with three events Rosebud, Merchants and Consolation being scheduled.

Rinks are expected from Olds, Carstairs, Crossfield and Bowden and local curlers are asked to register with the secretary, C. E. Reiber, as soon as possible.

The following Calgary firms have donated prizes to be competed for at the 'spiel; Calgary Power Co., Calgary Herald, Henry Birks and Sons, Deliveries Limited, and Williams Bros.

Weddings

The marriage of Miss Mary Steffler, R.N., second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Steffler, of Carstairs, and Mr. Earl Braun, younger son of Mrs. Marie Braun, of Didsbury, took place at Beiseker on February 12, Rev. Father Tennant officiating.

The bride was lovely in a rose wool afternoon frock with a corsage of talisman roses and black accessories.

Miss Regeana Steffler attended her sister and Mr. Harold Braun, brother of the groom, was groomsmen.

Mr. and Mrs. Braun will reside on the groom's farm west of Didsbury.

Evangelical Church Notes

During the lenten period I will deal with the different classes of people in Jesus' day and their reaction to his ministry. The subject on Sunday morning at 10:30 a.m. will be "The Indifferent people in regard to Jesus." They all shared in the guilt of crucifying him. The sermon theme Sunday evening will be "The Lost Christ." We will show who lost Christ in His day, and who is losing Christ today.

Sunday school at 2 p.m. and divine service at 3 p.m. at Jutland. A welcome awaits you at all these services.

February 20th is "World Day of Prayer." There will be a joint service in Knox United Church on the above date at 8 p.m. Come and join in prayer and meditation.

Victory Loan Church Sunday

Sunday, February 22nd, will be observed throughout Canada as the New Victory Loan Church Sunday.

It is expected that support will be given to the Victory Loan drive and no doubt reference will be made from all the pulpits in its support.

In connecting the cold hard business of raising money for the war effort with the warm soul stirring truth that this is a war to free millions of oppressed people, Victory Loan Sunday should be a red letter day in the calendar of 1942.

God fearing people will fill the churches on that day.

United Church Notes.

Services at all points will be in charge of the local group of the W.M.S. Mrs. M. A. Finley, who was for some time matron of the Beulah Home in Edmonton, will give the address. At Knox church in the evening a ladies trio from the Mountain View Bible School will sing and Miss Dora Fawcett will sing "This Holy Hour."

The Westerdale service will be held at the home of Mrs. B. Morphy.

3c Bonus on Grade "A" Eggs

The Dominion Government has announced a 3c bonus on all Grade "A" eggs shipped on present contracts to Britain. As only Grade "A" medium and "A" large are to be shipped, the bonus will not be paid on "A" pullets.

Although the bonus will only be paid on export eggs it will have the effect of raising the paying prices on all Grade "A" medium and large eggs to May 31st by 3 cents, meaning that for the export centres of Edmonton, Calgary and Lethbridge, Grade "A" large to the end of February should not go below 26c per dozen to the producers, and for March, April and May not less than 23c per dozen. Grade "A" medium are 1c per dozen below Grade "A" large.

The 1941 contracts allowed 40% Grade "B" eggs while the present contract calling for 1,000,000 cases by May 31st allows for only 12% Grade "B" eggs. If Canadian eggs are to hold up during shipment and after arrival then they must be of top quality and if Canadian producers wish to receive the 3c per dozen bonus then they must produce only Grade "A" eggs. It is cheaper to produce a Grade "A" egg than a Grade "B" or Grade "C" egg, so why not keep the birds confined; keep feed and fresh water before them at all times; keep the houses and nests clean; collect the eggs four times daily and allow to cool in wire baskets or on a wire frame; pack with large end up in clean containers; hold at 50 deg. F.; and ship at least once a week.

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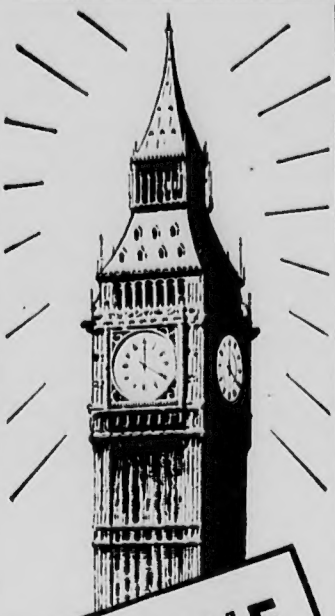
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WORLD HAPPENINGS BRIEFLY TOLD

Field guns on skis are the Red Army's latest contribution to winter warfare.

Japanese at Vancouver said Japanese workmen were being hired to work in lumber camps in Ontario.

Rationing of retreaded tires as well as new tires and tubes in the United States may begin this month, it was learned from government sources.

The foreign office announced that Great Britain will lend China up to £50,000,000 (\$222,000,000) for war purposes.

Vast regions in the Siberian wilds are being placed in cultivation to strengthen Russia's massive war effort.

A considerable number of Japanese detained in other parts of the southwest Pacific war area, including women, have arrived in Australia for internment.

Stocks of raw sugar held in Canadian refineries at the close of 1941 totalled 121,767,959 pounds compared with 140,970,614 pounds at the close of 1940, the Dominion bureau of statistics reported.



18 FOR 20c.

New Plastic Material

Expected To Solve Problem Of Shortage In War Industries

Excelite, a new construction material somewhat resembling plastic, has made its appearance as a substitute for critical war materials in the U.S.

The product, announced by Designers for Industry, Inc., is expected to solve the problems of many manufacturers unable to obtain materials because of priorities. Materials used in the new product include a major portion of wood excelsior, water, a small amount of silicate of soda, soy bean protein and quicklime. Advantages claimed for the plastic-like wood are that it is strong and resilient, heat insulating, is easily handled without danger of breakage, can be sawed, planed or nailed, and will not swell or bulge. The use of long cut strands of wood which have not been acted upon by chemicals is responsible for the strength of the product.

The man of the hour didn't get there in a minute.

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By Anne Adams



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Fighting The Japs

British Writer Thinks It Will Be A Tough Job

In fighting the Japanese it seems to me we should do well to keep the following considerations well in mind. The Japanese believe in their cause with a degree of unsmiling fanaticism we should always find hard to understand. They are incredibly hard workers and amazingly tenacious. They are very resolute, and that goes for the women as well as the men. I don't think these qualities will avail them in the end. That end will be, if I may be so rash as to hazard a guess, the most terrible internal revolution in Japan, with faction fighting against faction, a revolution due to the break-up of the immense inner tension. But that's only my guess. Meanwhile, it is certain we have got a tough job on.—Robert Nichols, in London Listener.

Girl Messengers

Appear To Be Giving Better Service Than The Boys

We've just received a report on telegraph girls versus boys, and the girls won on all points. Since the war, telegram delivery boys have become almost extinct, and in their place are girls. The comparisons (odious as they may seem) boil down to (a) girls are much brisker than boys, much keener and more business-like; (b) girls don't fuss or fight; (c) girls are much quicker on the uptake and have less trouble finding the correct addresses; (d) girls are more cheerful and seldom grumble; (e) girls are particular about their personal appearance and therefore are a credit to their employers, who supply them with uniforms. Our information on this matter comes straight from the horse's mouth, from C.P.R. officialdom, so it can't be wrong.—Toronto Evening Telegram.



NEW CBC PROGRAMMES

On February 9th in the early morning hours, National Daylight Saving was instituted throughout Canada, coincident with a similar move in the United States. As the Eastern networks had already been in Daylight Saving in Canada, many adjustments were necessitated in CBC Programme Schedules. Listeners who in recent weeks have found their favorite programmes popping up on new days or at new hours will understand by this that the new National Daylight Saving law is the cause.

All other considerations are secondary to winning the war these days, and many important CBC programmes in the new schedules are therefore related to war service in one way or another. Recently a new series broadcast in co-operation with the Director of Public Information has been commenced, under the title "As A Matter of Fact." This is heard daily, except Saturdays and Sundays, at 5:00 p.m. CST, 4:00 p.m. MST. These times are subject to change under the new Daylight Saving schedules, which at this writing have not yet been announced.

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dians on the cultural side is the weekly broadcast of British Ballad Operas, from Toronto. This is heard on Sundays at 7:30 p.m. CST, 6:30 p.m. MST (again subject to change under Daylight Saving). In the opening broadcast in January, the eminent British conductor, Eugene Goossens, directed Handel's *Acis and Galatea*, and in the second programme Rose Bampton, celebrated young soprano of the Metropolitan Opera Company, was heard in Henry Purcell's *Dido and Aeneas*. Other famous artists to be heard are John Brownlee, baritone, of the Metropolitan Opera, and Raoul Jobin, tenor, Edwin McArthur, Sir Ernest MacMillan, and Arthur Benjamin are among the well known conductors who will take part. Some of the operas to be heard are: *The Bohemian Girl*, by Michael Balfe; *Merrie England*, by Sir Edward German; *The Immortal Hour*, by Rutland Boughton; *Hug the Drover*, by Ralph Vaughan Williams; *The Devil Take Her*, by Arthur Benjamin; and *Transit Through Fire*, by Healey Willan. The last is a new opera specially commissioned by the CBC from Dr. Healey Willan, eminent Canadian composer and vice-principal of Toronto's famous Conservatory of Music. Its sub-title is: "An Odyssey of 1942."

London tailors say there are 30 buttons on the average male lounge suit.

The Rana Goliath frog, of west Africa, grows as large as a terrier dog.

MICKIE SAYS—

A STICK OF DYNAMITE
AINT BIG, BUT IT GETS
RESULTS WHEN YA PUT IT
TO WORK—SIZE AINT
EV'RYTHING—LOOK AT
OUR CLASSIFIED ADS!
LOOK AT ME!



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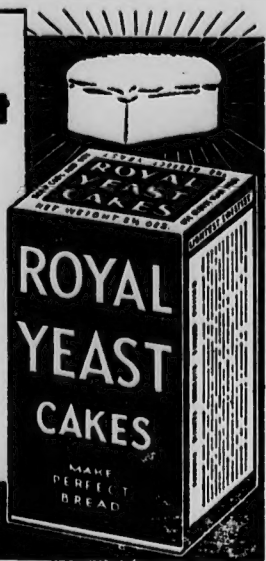


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looked unceremoniously over his shoulder. To him there was no doubt. Also he thought the Major was playing a poor game of cards even to pretend that he doubted finding of the paper. He looked back at the girl who stood under the light. He saw the anger in her eyes and the flush on her cheeks.

"Well," began the Major, "it does look the same," he admitted slowly.

"If you'll look at the paper closely you'll see the name Sheridan & Sheridan. That means there is probably a duplicate filed somewhere in the dusty files of that law office downtown. Shall we go see?"

Christopher Sande thought of the incredulity of all that had happened to allow this paper to lie in dust unnoticed all of these years. Any place that he could think of, the papers would have been raked with a fine-toothed comb to find possibilities of increasing the wealth of the inherited estate.

Major Towne made a movement toward the library door. "It isn't necessary," he said. "Of course, I can see that the writing is the same, but perhaps for..."

"I wouldn't think of doing anything before we check on it," Knox Randolph interposed quickly. "Come with us, Tamar. I think we'll need your signatures on the new contracts. And as a matter of fact, I believe that we'll have some legal advice from the Sheridans."

In the clear look that her father gave her, while they walked down the stairs and the quick pressure of his hand, she knew that he was looking toward her future as well as that of the future of Shadwell and all that it meant to them.

The Major said, "Let's go in my car."

Then they rolled down the drive to the entrance which led out to the highway. The midday heat lay about them, the pavement looked blistering hot in the sun.

Tamar and Christopher sat in the back seat and were silent all of the way into town. Just as they left the car he said, "I'm awfully pleased for you that you are part owner of the Cricket Hill. It will give my work there an added pleasure. You must by all means come and see how we're getting along from time to time."

She smiled at him but said frankly as they followed the men: "I don't know anything about it. Your judgment is far better than mine, the Major's or Dad's!"

As they walked past the side entrance of the bank building Tamar caught sight of Ransome Todd who was crossing the lobby toward his office. "Excuse me a moment, won't you, I'll follow you." Without waiting she darted into the side door and caught Ransome just as he sat down.

He whirled in amazement, getting to his feet. "What is it, Tam?" You look awfully excited!" He pulled up a chair for her. "This is an unexpected pleasure." He assumed his most executive air and asked, "What can I do for you, Miss Randolph?"

Tamar said: "You'd never guess. Ran. It's just like one of our old dramas coming true. I'll set the scene and you try. This morning we brought Grandfather's old musty trunk down from the attic," she paused melodramatically.

He leaned forward eagerly. "Yes, yes, go on!"

"ALL THAT GLITTERS"

— By —
ANNE TEDLOCK BROOKS

CHAPTER VIII.

Tamar had her first misgivings of Major Towne when they were sitting at the luncheon table in the big square dining room at Shadwell.

Her father at the head, she at the foot, Christopher Sande and the Major opposite each other. Phoebe had called in one of her daughters to help with the serving and Melissee carried off her new duties with a pompous dignity that amused Tamar.

They were almost through the first course of the excellent meal that Phoebe had cooked when Tamar made her discovery. The first time she had seen the Major she had not had a chance to learn much about him. Dinner conversation two nights before had leaned toward the desultory fashion of generalities that strangers are likely to discuss rather than business at the table.

To-day Tamar wondered why she had not noticed these things earlier. The Major had a way of looking at you suddenly, disconcertingly, as though seeing you for the first time, although while he was speaking he kept his eyes lowered to his plate. It gave Tamar an odd feeling as though he did not want to look you straight in the eye, even as though there might be something furtive in his dealings.

The time was short, so that business had to be discussed at to-day's table. "Isn't it strange that this document would not come to light until at this particular time?" the Major asked without previous warning of any doubts he might have entertained about its authenticity.

Tamar saw her father's face go white. His voice was suddenly like steel as he answered: "Major Towne, I must admit that it may look a little strange to you. But all of the papers found in my father's desk and safe were not gone through as carefully as they might have been. There was no need for it. I had worked with

him and knew the state of his financial affairs.

"With my own hands I placed that packet of documents in the trunk with other inconsequential papers. The Cricket Hill lay idle for 15 years. I'd never entertained a thought of mining it until a few years ago, and then just as I had a chance to borrow money for the equipment the bank which was lending it to me closed its doors almost overnight."

"Isn't it a bit queer that you had not thought of these papers when I first mentioned leasing the mine?"

"Perhaps it may seem queer to you. But we've always taken the gold about Tahlahneka as a matter of course. You know it's something to dream about. Why one of our roads a 12-mile stretch, is made with ore that assayed \$2 per ton. It's worth at rough calculations \$50,000. This is in the heart of one of the oldest gold fields in America. Even when you offered to lease the mine and start operating it, I didn't get excited. I've seen too much gold in my lifetime to become excited over it."

Major Towne gave him one of his exasperating direct glances. "I'll never be able to understand it. The Calhoun mine produced enough to interest its owner. I hear he took a thousand dollars a day from it. What happened that these mines have remained idle all these years?"

Tamar felt anger rising within her. She spoke before she thought. "Perhaps because we think of other things in life besides money, Major Towne. And partly because other gold fields called to adventurous men. Now as far as the paper I found this morning is concerned I'd like for you to come with me to the library."

Tamar had changed into a white sports dress for lunch and as she started to sink down beside the trunk her father took her arm. "Wait, Tamar, you'll soil your pretty dress. What is it you want?"

"To show the Major some of grandfather's writing on other papers."

Her father reached for several packets and pulling the one to be compared from his pocket, he crossed to the window for better light. "If you'll examine these closely you'll see that the flourishing scrawl of that generation is the same."

Sande stood beside the Major and

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"Yeah, I remember. One day while you had to go downstairs for something for Phoebe, I tried to open it. One of them was broken then. I felt guilty as sin for two weeks. But there wasn't anything inside but papers and dusty legal envelopes."

"What did you expect to find?"

"The family jewels, of course, countless hordes of them, shining there in the dim recesses of the old treasure chest!" He laughed unrestrainedly. "What did we always expect to find when we went treasure hunting, Tam?"

She laughed, too, and Miss Edie, who opened the door suddenly with her hands full of papers, backed out without letting them know she had entered his office.

"Well, I'll have to hurry, because I'm going up to Dick's office, where the men are. Listen, Ranny. I went through those papers, and when I came to the packet marked Cricket Hill, what do you s'pose I found?"

"That the mice had chewed them all to pieces, and you don't even have a deed to show that they belong to your father," he said, grinning maliciously.

"Smarty! No s'ree, Mr. Ransome Todd. Not so!" she stood up and

struck an attitude of queenliness. "Now guess."

Ran knocked over the chair as he sprang to his feet. Not stopping to pick it up, he grabbed her hands, and waited her about the room.

"That's easy," he said breathlessly. "Grandfather left it to you!" He sat her down in the chair. "Don't you know that you can get the Major to sign any contract you happen to want?"

(To Be Continued)

French Guiana's major product has been gold, which has been mined there since 1853.

Bamboo plants reach a height of 40 feet or more. 2450

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DRAT THAT BOY AND HIS TEACHER!

Mr. T.N. Coffee Nerves

YOU'LL HAVE TO GET THE BREAKFAST THIS MORNING... I HARDLY SLEPT A WINK LAST NIGHT.

MOM, YOU KNOW IT WAS THAT COFFEE KEPT YOU AWAKE.

AND SEND ME SOME POSTUM WITH THE OTHER GROCERIES... I THINK MY MOM HAS CAFFEINE-NERVES.

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Used Tires Placed Under Control

OTTAWA.—Terms of sale for used and retreaded tires and tubes were placed under strict control recently in an order issued by Supplies Controller Alan H. Williamson.

The new order provides that used tires or tubes may be sold only at prices equivalent to prices charged for used tires or tubes in similar condition during the basic period—September 15 to October 11, 1941—and "in no case at more than 75 per cent. of the published retail price for a new tire, tube or casing of the same size, brand and grade."

The ruling requires also that motor vehicle owners must turn in to the dealer a tire or tube of corresponding size before purchasing a used, repaired, retreaded or recapped tire or tube.

No Trade-in Allowance

"He (the vehicle owner) will receive no trade-in allowance of any kind," Mr. Williamson said. "The tire or tube he turns in must be removed at the time of the sale from the rim of a 'running' wheel or spare."

"After the purchase has been completed the owner must not have in his possession—on his car, in his garage, or anywhere else—more tires than are necessary to equip his running wheels and one spare."

Retreaded tires may not be sold for more than 75 per cent of the published retail list price for a new tire or casing of the same size, brand and grade.

Ration Rules on Gasoline Issued

OTTAWA.—The munitions and supply department recently issued this list of "must" and "must not" rules for users of gasoline, effective after rationing goes into effect next April 1st:

The motor-vehicle owner must buy only "graded" gasoline; must not use in his vehicle the purple gasoline which will be sold for industrial machinery;

Must not siphon gasoline from his car for use in another vehicle;

Must not sell, barter, or give away his gasoline;

Must not sell, barter, or give away his ration coupons;

Must not detach a coupon from the book;

Must not transfer gasoline from his car to his motorboat, nor from his boat to his car.

The service station operator:

Must sell for use in motor vehicles only "graded" gasoline; must not charge more than the maximum price allowed; must not sell gasoline to anyone who does not produce a ration book; must do the detaching of the coupon from the customer's book.

Must never accept a detached coupon.



By
Dr. K. W. Neathby
Director, Agricultural Department
North-West Line Elevators Association

To Treat or not to Treat

This article is not, as the title suggests, a discussion of barroom etiquette. It is concerned with the more important, if less stimulating(!) subject of seed treatment.

Seed treatment is insurance and, like all insurance, costs something. We are all obliged to decide whether it pays to insure our buildings, cars, lives or crops, and if we decide that in the long run we shall gain by carrying the risks ourselves, we don't insure.

So it is with seed treatment except that sometimes we can be almost certain that treatment will save money. If, in 1941, we had smut in oats, covered smut in barley, or stinking smut (bunt) in wheat, there is no argument—we should treat.

In Alberta, plant pathologists have agreed to recommend treatment of cereal seed with an organic mercury dust as a regular practice. In Manitoba crop districts 3, 4, 6, 9 and 10, farmers using their own wheat seed are advised to treat with Ceresan or Leytosan due to the prevalence of root-rotting and leaf-spotting fungi. Elsewhere in Manitoba and in Saskatchewan, farmers must make the decision for themselves.

The Associated Laboratory Services, with laboratories in Saskatoon, have undertaken to examine seed samples and to advise for or against treatment. This is, undoubtedly, a good test. But, though treatment may have been considered unnecessary last year, this does not mean that it need not be done this year. Also, if one farmer is advised not to treat, his neighbors should on no account assume that they would get the same advice.

Hog Marketings

Alberta hog marketings for the calendar year 1941 were 1,947,000 head, according to information received from the Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, Ottawa. Hogs marketed in 1940 totalled 1,485,382.

The marketings for 1941 creates a new record for Alberta. Since 1939 the number of hogs marketed in Alberta has doubled, and indications are that further growth of the industry may be expected.

Ontario hog marketings are still slightly in excess of those of Alberta, whereas they were much greater prior to 1939.

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The lists will open on 16th February 1942, and will close on or about 7th March 1942, with or without notice, at the discretion of the Minister of Finance.

Department of Finance,
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J. E. Gooder - Editor & Manager

The World of Wheat

By H. G. L. Strange

Director, Research Department,
Searle Grain Company, Ltd.

All farmers are waiting anxiously to hear the decision of the Government about an increased price for wheat, and about the quantity of wheat that farmers may deliver from the forthcoming crop at that increased price. Some of the fears about a burdensome surplus of wheat that could not be stored or sold, which were expressed by many persons a year ago, fortunately have not materialized. These fears were, first that there would be insufficient storage space to hold the grain from the 1941 crop—that is why the delivery quota allotted

to farmers was set at a comparatively low figure—then that only a comparatively small amount of wheat could be sold overseas and only at an extremely low price. Today there is a great deal more storage space available for this coming crop than anyone thought possible, and Canada this present year will export much more wheat than was considered could be done, and now the open market price is increasing. (The price of wheat on U.S.A. markets has increased considerably).

The Government, therefore, in fairness to our farmers should this year pay a considerably higher price for wheat, and in addition can accept much more wheat than it did last year without crowding available storage space.

The following factors have tended

to raise the price: Crops in India have deteriorated as a result of the prolonged dry spell; entomologists have issued warnings of a severe grasshopper outbreak in '42; Canadian exports of wheat overseas have been heavy recently; Greece has been receiving wheat from the Turkish Red Cross.

The following factors have tended to lower the price: North American visible supplies of wheat on February 9th were 700 million bushels as compared with 628 million last year; unfavorable war news from the Southwest Pacific area has unsettled grain prices; Argentine visible supplies of wheat on February 7th were 242 million bushels as compared with 169 million a year ago; corn 320 million compared with 54 million.

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Grimly quenching their tears, mothers say "God bless you" to their fighting sons—everywhere young women are serving where duty calls—the women of Canada are bound together in one common cause.

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Rev. J. M. Fawcett, Minister

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Burnside Notes

Mrs. Bert Pross and her daughter, Mrs. Ed Pross, spent Wednesday at the home of Mrs. O. H. W. in Didsbury.

A large number of friends met at the school on Tuesday last, in honor of M. L. Patmore, formerly a teacher at the school, who left on his way for Toronto where he will commence his training in the R.C.M.P. The evening was spent in playing games and a delicious lunch was served by the ladies. During the evening a pen and pencil set was presented by Mr. J. H. Roberts on behalf of the friends at Westcott who wish him the best of luck.

A shower in honor of Miss Gwyneth Hughes, a popular February bride elect, was held Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. H. J. Richardson. After several contests, a solo by Miss Elinor McNeel, and a mock wedding ceremony, the guest of honor was presented with many useful and beautiful gifts by her friends.

In honor of Miss Hazel Viney, February bride-elect, a miscellaneous shower was held at the home of Mrs. B. Woods on Saturday last. After a mock proposal and marriage with Mrs. Harold Davidson as groom, Mrs. Sandy Brander as bride and Mrs. Joe Clark as the minister. The guest of honor opened her gifts from a gaily decorated basket brought in by Olwen Hughes and Olwen Bittner. Lunch was served at the close and a pleasant afternoon was had by all.

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Rebecca Activities

A very enjoyable meeting of the Rebecca's was held at the home of Mrs. Alice Ross with 20 ladies present.

Quilt blocks were cut and partly sewn together in readiness for a quilt top. A vote of thanks was given Mrs. Kraus for the donation of blocks.

The next meeting is to be held at the home of Mrs. Ed Craig on Feb. 25th

Bergen Notes.

LAC E. B. Erickson, left last Thursday, February 12, for Ottawa after spending a fourteen day leave at his home here.

LAC H. J. Erickson of Claresholm and Cpl. B. A. Erickson of McLeod spent the weekend with their parents Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Erickson.

Bergen Garden Club meeting was held at the home of Mildred Thommsens, Saturday, February 14th

Don't forget the big play, "Petticoat Ranch" which is to be held at the Bergen Hall on February 20th. Dance to follow.

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Substitute Materials

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Development Of Synthetics

An interesting aspect of the curtailment of the supplies of certain metals and other materials is the development of synthetic substances which can be used as substitutes. In Germany this method of overcoming shortages of basic materials has been used very extensively and we have heard stories of the ardent, if not wholly comfortable Nazi, who drinks synthetic coffee, walks on shoes of synthetic leather and wears suits of synthetic fabric. In this country we have several substitute materials which are being used increasingly to take the place of fabrics and metals no longer available. Rayon, a synthetic silk has been in common use for some time, and a newer substance, nylon, is now on the market and is widely used in place of silk.

Made from wood pulp, and coal tar products, the basis for these materials is plentiful in Canada, and with them at hand, the cutting off of silk imports from Japan will work no hardship here.

Use Of Plastics

Another type of synthetic materials which are being widely used as substitutes for metal and other hard materials, are called plastics. Chemically developed from resins, which have their origin in certain plants, these materials have been found to be remarkably adaptable for many uses. They combine lightness with great durability and it is thought that they will become more and more common as their production develops. Already we are accustomed to seeing them in many household appliances such as door knobs, light switches and various other articles.

They are used successfully for certain airplane parts, which adds to their value at this time. It is interesting to note that Henry Ford has recently taken out a patent for a new type of automobile, with a body of plastic material. In the patent, Mr. Ford says: "The object of my invention is to provide a body construction in which plastic body parts are employed, not only for the doors and side-panels, but also for the roof, hood, and all exposed panels on the body." "Plastic parts," he continues, "have many advantages in that they produce a quiet body, may be molded to exact size, may be readily replaced in case of accident, and result in lighter construction." No doubt when the war is over, and many of these plastics materials are no longer needed in such quantity for airplane production, they will come into even more common use, and replace many of the articles we ordinarily use, bringing an improvement, because of the many desirable features they possess.

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● Your liver is the largest organ in your body and most important to your health. It supplies energy to muscles, tissues and glands. If unhealthy, your body lacks this energy and becomes enfeebled—youthful vim disappears. Again your liver pours out bile to digest food, get rid of waste and allow proper nourishment to reach your blood. When your liver gets out of order proper digestion and nourishment stop—you're poisoned with the waste that decomposes in your intestines. Nervous troubles and rheumatic pains arise from this poison. You become constipated, stomach and kidneys can't work properly. The whole system is affected and you feel "trotten," head-achy, back-achy, dizzy, tired out—a ready prey for sickness and disease.

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The British Automatic Company is turning over to the iron and steel scrap drive 3,000 penny slot machines which in peacetime used to contain cigarettes, chocolates, and other small articles. The machines will provide 250 tons of steel, cast iron and aluminum.

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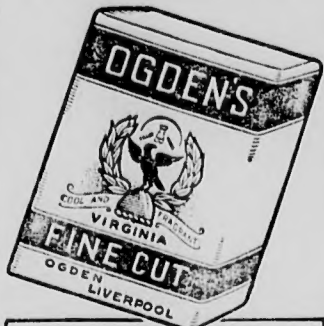
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Commonwealth Air Training Plan

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LAC John Mervyn Churchill, 338-11th St. E., Prince Albert, Sask.; LAC Marcel Richmond Charles Cullenacre, Leask, Sask.; LAC James Bennie Gow, Abernethy, Sask.; LAC Douglas Creswell Hagerman, Surbiton, Sask.; LAC Leonard James Hill, Imperial, Sask.; LAC Alvin Marvin Hornsath, Box 99, Kandahar, Sask.; LAC William George Hoar, Calder, Sask.; LAC Charles Murray, Ker-robart, Sask.; LAC Elden Lloyd Nielsen, Canwood, Sask.; LAC Harold Orloff, Foam Lake, Sask.; LAC Woodrow John Perry, Fairview, Alta.; LAC Rodney Thirk Phipps, Strone, Alta.; LAC Francis Stewart Sarge, Pincher Creek, Alta.; LAC Norman Albert Stelter, Lamont, Alta.; LAC Ronald Henry Stringer, Dayvroyd, Sask.; LAC Albert John Tysowski, Verigin, Sask.; LAC George Alexander Vanish, Wakaw, Sask.; LAC Thomas Herbert Warner, Kennedy, Sask.

SELECTED RECIPES

HOT BREAKFAST BREAD

1½ cups all-purpose flour
2 teaspoons baking powder
½ teaspoon salt
½ cup shortening
½ cup white sugar
½ cup Crown Syrup
1 egg
½ cup milk
½ cup currants
1 teaspoon cinnamon
1 tablespoon brown sugar
Temperature: 375 degrees F.
Time: 20 to 25 minutes.

Method: Sift together flour, baking powder and salt. Cream shortening; add sugar, syrup and unbeaten egg; beat thoroughly. Add flour mixture alternately with milk, stirring lightly. Pour into cake pan 9" x 12" lined with waxed paper and oiled with Mazola. Mix together the currants, cinnamon and brown sugar; sprinkle lightly over raw batter. Bake in moderate oven. Serve hot.

Making Preparations

Hitler Is Building Up Reserve Army For Spring Campaign

The London Daily Mail reported in a despatch from Madrid that Hitler had recalled all active divisions from France, Belgium and Holland to build up a reserve army for the Nazi spring campaign. Their places in the occupied zones have been taken over by garrison divisions of men over 40 and boys from 16 to 18, the newspaper said.

Any Pert In Storm

Three sergeants of a bomber forced down in Libya hid in caves and walls or tents of friendly Arabs until they were rescued by advancing British troops. Besides large families of Arabs the tents also housed a collection of cows, goats, hens, a few cats and a multitude of insects.

Italians Tired Of War

Depressed by the number of men they have lost in the African and Russian campaigns, the people of Italy are becoming weary of the war, according to reports reaching Lisbon, and many arrests have been made in Naples and Genoa.

SO YOU'RE GOING TO DO A PLAY?

CASTING THE PLAY

The books arrived two days ago and notice was posted at once giving time and place for reading tryouts. I thought we might cast Ronald Mitchell's play "A Husband For Breakfast." It is a roaring comedy and I thought might be well worth the royalty of five dollars we will have to pay for it.

The group have arrived. Five girls and two boys. It is a dialect play, but we are dropping a great deal of it as Welsh dialect is very hard to carry through a 30-minute play. Just a stray phrase has been left here and there to give the atmosphere. As I look over the group I feel that Carol may have the best voice and give the best interpretation of words but Marion or Helen certainly have the physical requirements. So we begin. I sit with my eyes closed in the corner, and listen as they read, having cast them tentatively. After a page or two, I stopped them, made some notes in my book on their approach to the reading, and changed their parts. This time Nan was asked to read the lead with Francis as the gossiping neighbor who has just dropped in. The boys alternate the reading of the men's parts. And so it goes, until we have read the play through. Then I ask if there is any special part that anyone wishes to try out for again. Then while they are chatting, I weigh the physical equipment that each player has, against their ability to read, taking into consideration their ability to do good, honest, hard work, and select the cast as follows:

Marion, for the lead, as Mrs. Jones. It is a heavy part, and she looks the way this woman should look. Marion has always had difficulty with lines, but this is her one big chance as this play is a festival number, and I will know in a month if she is going to make good. If Marion doesn't, well, Carol will be delighted to change places with her and do a good job, but won't look the part as Marion would have. Nan is the little old gossiping neighbor with the limp. Nan is petit and dark and has a sweet, carrying voice. Helen is to be Mrs. Morris who is robust, coarse and loud. I can get her to use her voice loudly, boisterously with some individual tuition. She is tall and well built and some extra clothing will give her a robust appearance. I will have to teach her to turn on laughs like water from a tap, but we have at least three and a half months to do that. The other parts are similarly cast. As for the men, the tall thin boy with the mild voice will be the patient henpecked husband who falls asleep during the argument, and Jerry will be Moses Roberts who has a resounding voice and gets into fresh difficulties, getting out of last night's difficulties.

I almost lost a good member of my class a couple of years ago by saying that I liked casting to type for festival work, and then asked Anne to be a homey, downtrodden wife who was the mother of seven children. Now when I used the phrase, the class look at Anne and everyone laughs because they understand that it is physical requirements that I consider first, then teach voice requirements if necessary.

We will follow the rehearsals of this play "A Husband For Breakfast" for the rest of this series. You may watch festival results in the spring and judge the results. Do I sound too sure of the outcome? I don't mean to, because other directors may be better teachers and better workers than we are. Here's hoping, however. Till next week, then.—Mary Ellen Burgess, Box 326, Regina.

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Laboratory equipment, operating tables, X-ray equipment, surgical instruments, anti-gas ointment, stretchers, dental supplies and false teeth are a few of the medical supplies purchased by the department of munitions and supply for the armed services.

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The Canadian government seal of approval will go on two new types of vitamin-rich flour next April 1 and on bread made from that flour April 15, it was disclosed in an order-in-council published in the Canada Gazette. Originally these products were to have gone on the market Feb. 1 but owing to difficulties in making changes in milling equipment a postponement was granted.

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Census Figures Reveal That Population Of Canada Is Increasing Very Slowly

On the first day of June last, or perhaps a day or two later, all of us in Canada had a caller; a man armed with a fountain pen and a long, complicated-looking blank. He told us he was an official of the Dominion Government and asked us extremely personal questions about our age, the number of our children, about our incomes, our scholastic standing, the state of our pocket-books, and so on and so forth. This man, one of 14,000 Government agents, was working on Canada's eighth national census.

In seven intervening months thousands of persons in Ottawa have been collecting, compiling, tabulating and classifying the things we told the census man, piecing them into a statistical picture of Canada; developing a gigantic film of our racial, social, commercial and industrial life. When this film is completed we shall know many things about which we are now in ignorance. Know all about our population; know how we've grown in wealth and education; how we've changed since 1921 and also since Confederation; have a better "feel" of our country.

This week brought us the first, perhaps the most important, part of the picture. It showed that we have 1,043,000 more people than we had ten years ago; that our population now is 11,119,896. It showed also that Quebec has been catching up with Ontario in the number of its people, with its growth remarkable; that the Maritime Provinces have been making but slow gains; and that Manitoba and Saskatchewan have been losing, Saskatchewan especially.

Let us not delude ourselves about such figures; they are disappointing. Most of us had thought, or guessed, that in the decade since the last census Canada had come to or passed the 12,000,000 population mark. Our guess was based upon what should have come from natural growth—an excess of births over deaths. Somewhere there has been a loss—a leak.

And this loss, this failure to hold our natural growth, is not something that has come in the past decade; it has been going on for 20 years. Between 1901 and 1911, when the tide of immigration was strong, and we were in the era of railway building, our population gain was 34 per cent.; and between 1911 and 1921, a period which took in two years of tremendous immigration (the years immediately preceding the First Great War), the increase was 21 per cent. Between 1921 and 1931 the gain had fallen to 17 per cent.; now—between 1931 and 1941—it is down to a little better than 10 per cent.

What is the explanation? We have not before us the figures for births, deaths and immigration during the past decade; hence the difficulty of an answer for that period. But what we do know, on the basis of all the available figures, is that between 1921 and 1931 there was what may be called a missing million in our population. A million more people that we should have had, but didn't. Births and immigrants, with deaths subtracted, should have brought us in 1931 to a population of 11,234,392. Actually we had a population of but 10,376,786. Something like a million people (taking account of those that had returned to us from the United States) had vanished. Had somehow been drained away from us.

Actually, this country has never kept more than a fair proportion of the immigrants coming to it. Between 1911 and 1921 the number of immigrants was 1,780,000, while the net increase in persons born outside of Canada (as shown by the census of 1921) was but 368,000. Thus there was a loss in these ten years alone of nearly 1,300,000 of these immigrants, people who came here but who either died or didn't remain here. The great bulk of them, we must conclude, either went to the United States or returned to the lands of their origin.

In the last two decades, it is to be feared, we have been losing more than immigrants; have been holding less than our own natural increase. Canada, it should be remembered, has a comparatively high birth rate and a fairly low death rate; between 1931 and 1941 births in this country

must have exceeded deaths by far more than 1,000,000, which is our population gain.

Twenty-five years ago, during the last years of the war and afterwards, Parliamentary speakers were predicting a Canadian population at this time of 25,000,000. That we have fallen so far short of our hopes and dreams is not something for complacency.

We Canadians have a habit of dwelling on our "limitless resources." We have told ourselves again and again since the turn of the century that all we needed were people; that more population would solve our railway question and solve all our other problems. Yet we have not been getting the people. Instead we have seen drought depopulate the prairies that we once spoke of proudly as the "world's last granary"; have seen our vast Peace River district and our great north country go without people. What is the explanation? Does our experience tell that it takes more than rich resources to attract people? That there must be some other lodestone? Or is one answer in the fact, borne out fairly well by the world's story, that cold countries, no matter what their riches, don't attract people? The Scandinavian lands, among the most prosperous in Europe, are not the most thickly populated.

Whatever the answer, there is food for thought in these latest census figures. And perhaps ground for humility; something which, in a young country, may be wisdom. In ten years we have grown in strength; increased the development of our mines and fields and waterpowers and factories. We have gained vastly in power of production, and in organizing and managerial skill, and in technical knowledge. Yet what these figures seem to tell us is that we are still a small country, and that one of our greatest future problems—the problem of how to get people—is not yet solved for us. Now again, as 25 years ago, we tell ourselves that this war's close will bring us people; people fleeing from Europe. But can we be sure? He would be a wise man who would attempt, to horoscope the future of Europe, or tell the movements of European people in the years ahead. Ottawa Journal.

Airgraph Messages

Rapid Delivery Postal Service To Troops Overseas

About 150,000 airgraph messages have been sent to the troops overseas since the new rapid-delivery postal system was inaugurated last November, it was learned recently. "The system has proved both satisfactory and popular although at the outset we encountered bad weather and mechanical difficulties which slowed down delivery," a post office official said.

Seven or eight days was the usual speed of delivery by airgraph from the time the messages leave Toronto by air for overseas but the record was four days.

(A new report from somewhere in England said that some of the airgraph letters take less than ten days to reach their destination from point of mailing in Canada.)

Messages written on special airgraph forms are airmailed to Toronto where they are photographed on small size film and flown to Britain. Overseas they are developed, printed on sheet five by six inches and distributed by the Canadian Postal Corps.

"Consideration is being given to extending the service to the return trip, but since travel by air is not as frequent from England to Canada as in the other direction there is no likelihood of an immediate change," the post office spokesman said.

What is called the oldest bird sanctuary in the world is located at Abbotsbury, England. It is inhabited by 1,000 swans.

Nearly 40 per cent. of the Jewish population of the Russian Soviets reside in areas once forbidden them by the Czars.

Founder Of Singapore

Britain Owes Ownership Of Island To Sir Stamford Raffles

Cosmopolis of that fabulous land, peopled by Somerset Maugham with half-caste passions, the old school tie and adventurers of empire, Singapore, which sits practically astride the equator and turns the key to the apparently bottomless riches of the Orient, is probably one of the best examples of how the mighty British imperium came to gird the world.

Raffles Place, landmark of the teeming city of 700,000 Chinese and Malays, the hodgepodge of Polynesia and the Indies, and a peep of English, rightly honors the modern founder of Singapore, known anciently as the "City of the Lions." For to Sir Stamford Raffles, small, brilliant, foresighted, the epitome of the daring type of Englishman who made the Empire, England owes her ownership of the island of Singapore which has stood as the only bulwark of the illimitable British possessions in the Far East.

It was in the aftermath of the Seven Years' War in mid-18th century that Raffles, born in Jamaica, found his way to the East India Co., made a solid reputation in native administration, learned Malay, and induced the Sultan of Johore to cede Singapore to England in 1819. Raffles early saw the uses of the island, with its great port, through which normally pass nearly \$1,000,000,000 a year in imports and exports. Then, it was mostly the wealth of gums, spices, opium, gin and copra. To-day, in addition, it is rubber from Brazilian trees in Malay that travels to Akron to be made into tires that roll over the world and it is also Perak tin that combines with Pittsburgh steel to land in California as tin cans filled with fruit.

The hot humid island of Singapore, upon which stands the great bristling naval base so coveted by the Japanese, sees rain nearly 200 days a year. The eastern gate of the Pacific area, inhabited by 540,000,000 or one-third of the world's population, Singapore is only 27 miles long and 14 miles wide, and almost at the southernmost tip of Asia, being separated from the mainland by little more than a mile of water. This north shore has the naval base; dry docks where the biggest warships afloat can be accommodated; several air fields, and huge, buried stocks of fuel and ammunition. Nearly two-thirds of the inhabitants are Chinese there and in the Straits Settlements whose capital is Singapore. Street signs have to be in that tongue as well as in Malay and English, for Chinese provide most of the labor as well as a good share of the finance and direction of Singapore's multifarious commercial enterprises, which nest naturally in that city as the clearing house of the Orient.

Singapore was leased in perpetuity to Sir Stamford Raffles for the East India Company in 1824 by the Sultan of Johore.

More than 75,000,000 ducks fed in Western Canada marshes and grain lands in 1941.

Coniferous Evergreens Are Found To Be Hardy For Growing On Prairies

A Democratic Sovereign

Report That The King And Queen Are Moving To An Apartment

There is a distinctly homely touch about the report that King George and Queen Elizabeth are quitting Buckingham Palace "for the duration" and are moving into an apartment. It is the sort of thing that the people of England love and appreciate and goes far to explain the continuing popularity of the monarchy in that country. Even peacetime pomp and circumstance, to be palatable in Britain, must have a certain bourgeois quality about it. Beekeepers, foot guards in bearskins and scarlet, horse guards shining in steel and brass and polished leather—all this, to the British mind, is a setting for a royal family which should be a sort of apotheosis of the private family—Golders Green enlarged many diameters.

When war casts its drab cloak over the nation, the Englishman finds comfort in seeing the guardsmen go into khaki and the whole stately royal show turn grim and purposeful—just as all of England becomes grim and purposeful when the necessity arises. Doubtless he will be pleased to learn that the move from a palace to a flat has been occasioned in large part by the fact that so many of the palace staff have been called up for war services; there will be an added fillip, too, in the knowledge that the King and Queen have always preferred smaller quarters—that, as the Queen once remarked, they are not "palace-minded."

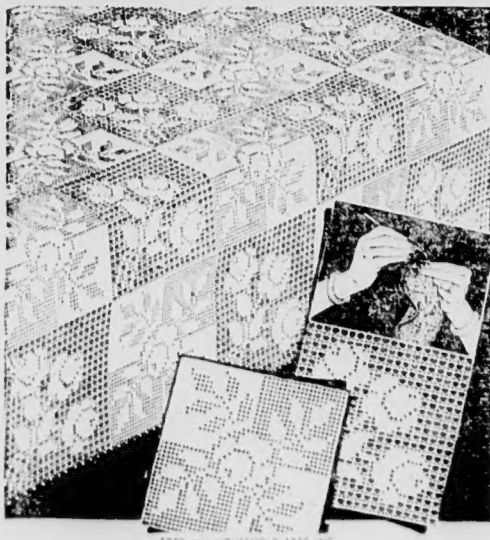
This probably will not minimize the desire of most Britishers to see the old trappings restored to royalty with the peace. Those trappings are dear to the British heart—but it is quite in keeping with the national character that the knowledge that royalty suffers a bit under all the glitter should be a factor in retaining the system. Britain is fonder than most nations of color and pageantry—but it is very un-British to admit it.—New York Herald Tribune.

Chinese Lady Golfer

Home town of many a golf champion, Vancouver now boasts what is believed to be the country's first Chinese woman golfer. She's 21-year-old Vancouver born Miss Toy (Buddy) Chong, who was sold on the game when she first saw the women playing it at Banff. Already an all-round athlete, she's taking lessons and her teacher, Billy Barr, says she's developed "a nice compact swing." Miss Chong thinks golf is the "nicest game in the world" and already is planning to get her brothers and sisters playing it too.

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There is no Alice Brooks pattern book published.

The short days and the low-arching sun of mid-winter encourage dwellers on the prairies to rejoice greatly that many evergreen conifers thrive in their home grounds, writes W. R. Leslie, Superintendent, Dominion Experimental Farm, Morden, Man. The rich green pines typify the north country, as the plumy palms are tokens of the tropic south-land.

Not all coniferous evergreens are hardy on the prairies. However, there is a wealth of choice among those subjects which do survive comfortably the most trying winters of the wheat belt. Winter tenderness is one of the two chief factors that limit the group of conifers that may be successfully cultivated. The second limiting condition is that of soil reaction. Soils of the great plains area are mostly neutral. A considerable number of conifers demand at least a slight acidity in their root zone. This fact explains in large measure the often indifferent growth of red pine white pine, balsam fir, red spruce, some arbor-vitae, Canada yew, and of that charming deciduous conifer, the European larch.

Among the adapted pines are Swiss Stone, Scots of Finnish and North Swedish strains, Mountain and dwarf Mountain, and Western Yellow. The Lodge-pole is widely employed but it is adversely very sensitive to soils carrying any free alkali.

The most generally esteemed conifer is that particularly associated with Christmastide, the spruce. In order of pleasing satisfaction, they rank—Colorado, Alberta or Black Hills, and White. The native white is most planted. However, it appears more disturbed by drought than the other two. The Colorado is less smitten by parasitic insects than the two that are native to the Canadian prairie provinces.

Arbor-vitae are available in a score of varieties. They do fairly well when the soil is modified by acid peat and when they are planted on the east of other trees. Such trees cast an afternoon shade over them and in so doing, remove the danger of sunscalding of their flat foliage. These shrubs and trees emit an appealing fragrance from their leaves and young twigs. Prairie redmen revered them highly and associated them with their Thunder God.

Japanese yew may suffer from frost injury to the tips some winters but are useful at the Morden Experimental Station. The Canada yew is an interesting native. It likes an acid soil and placement in a shady nook rather than in open exposed areas.

Junipers are growing steadily in adaptation for prairie planting. The Savin is European and plumy. The native creeping juniper likes acidity and the shade of trees. The native common juniper accommodates itself to dry locations. There is a golden form that is an attractive dwarf shrub. The Western red juniper from North Dakota badlands and the Alberta mountains is probably the most widely adapted of all evergreen conifers. This species persists even on exposed bare hills. It withstands drought, high gusty winds, and absence of snow covering. This juniper is found in many forms and in colours from green through blue to shining silver. Some types are low shrubs, others are round headed, and some are columnar trees reaching a height of about 30 feet.

Springtime will be coming to us again soon. That means another new planting season. Lasting pleasure comes from groups of evergreen conifers on the home grounds. They will contribute live beauty during the winter and the whole year around.

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LOCAL & GENERAL

Miss Mary Dunn spent the week end at her home in Edmonton.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Kirk of Calgary spent the weekend as guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Beveridge.

Ed Ford and Bill Ross of the Adshad garage went to Calgary on Monday to attend a General motors sales and service school.

Miss Isabel Miller of Edmonton has joined the staff of the Rosebud Health Clinic. She replaced Miss Margaret Hargrave.

Mrs. Alec Campbell, Mrs. Chas. Pearson, Mrs. Milton Ford of Carstairs and Wm. Shoebottom of Olds, were in town Saturday to attend the shower for Mrs. O. J. Kirk.

Sergt. Wing Gunner Learmonth who has been training at McDonald, is spending his furlough with his wife at the Kercher home.

Zane Grey's "Western Union," starring Robert Young, Randolph Scott, Dean Jagger, and Virginia Gilmore and filmed in technicolor, shows in the Didsbury Theatre this weekend.

At the Massey-Harris staff banquet held in Calgary last week Dave Edwards was presented with a silver service in recognition of his position of top salesman for the year in the southern Alberta territory.

Diana Beveridge entertained six of her little friends at a Valentine party on Friday, February 13th. Those invited were Primrose Hislop, Sandra MacPherson, Pat Halliday, Judy Law, Marilyn Reiber and Patsy Woods.

Mrs. Ross Ford, Mrs. Bert Fisher, Miss Bea Kendrick and Mrs. H. Beveridge entertained at a miscellaneous shower, Saturday, February 14, at the home of the latter, for Mrs. Orville Kirk (former Miss Evelyn Liesemer) of Calgary, whose marriage took place in Banff January 30th.

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Pte. Harold Tighe, of the R.C.A.-S.C., stationed at Curry Barracks, Calgary, was home on leave last weekend.

Frank Moyle, who has been at Gold Fields for the past several years is visiting his home here.

Mary McNair, of the Women's Auxiliary Army Corps, at Calgary, was home on leave last weekend.

Miss Rose Mack left on Monday for Calgary, where she underwent an appendix operation at the Holy Cross Hospital.

Fireman Geo. Parsons, who is at the R.A.F. Air Training Station at Penhold, is home on leave this week.

We are pleased to learn that Miss Emily Moyle has been able to leave the hospital but is still in Calgary for a few days. She expects to be home shortly.

Miss Jo Booker, who has joined the Women's section of the Airforce, will leave on Wednesday next for Toronto, where she will enter training.

Pte. Pete Booker, of the Army Medical Corps, at Calgary, was home on leave last week and visited his mother at Valeview school, on Sunday.

Miss Barbara Spence, who is at present working for Mr. W.K. Webb, Solicitor, Three Hills, was a visitor at her home here over the weekend.

Robert Bain, of Calgary, has taken a position with the British American Oil Co. here. For the present his family have taken up residence at the Sheils home.

Rev. J. M. Fawcett will leave on Friday for Holden, Ryley and Viking, where he will conduct services over the weekend, and attend meetings of the Wainwright and Camrose Presbyteries during the week.

The Didsbury Branch of the Canadian Legion has found it necessary, on account of the bonspiel and other activities on February 25th, to postpone their Bridge and Whist drive for one week, to March 4th. They hope the friends who volunteered to help will note the postponed date and that it will not cause any inconvenience.

The "15" knitting club were entertained last Thursday by Miss Mary Dunn and Mrs. H. S. Beveridge at the home of the latter. Since the first of October they have knit: 12 pair booties, 16 baby's jackets, 7 bonnets, three baby shawls, 10 baby vests, 2 pair of soakers, 4 boys pull-overs, 10 pairs girls socks, 8 girls cardigans, 2 pair of boys socks, one pair mitts.

Sergt. Major Garner has taken a little objection to the article on Didsbury's war effort, which appeared in the Calgary Herald last Saturday. The article stated that 135 men had enlisted from here. He says he has 175 men on his list, which he thinks is not quite complete. There are now 65 Didsbury men overseas. Jack insists that full credit should be given to the Didsbury enlistments.

Scott's weekend special-- 4 pairs men's wool socks for one dollar.

IN MEMORIAM

HYDE--In loving memory of a dear husband and father, Fredrick Hyde, who passed away February 20th, 1941.

We often sit and think of him.
When we are all alone,
For memory is the only thing
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Like ivy on the withered oak
When all other things decay,
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Municipal Elections, 1942

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that a meeting of the Electors of the Municipal District of Mountain View No. 310 will be held at the Olds School of Agriculture (Dormitory Building), at one o'clock p.m. on Saturday, February 21st, 1942, for the discussion of affairs of the district; and that from three o'clock p.m. to four o'clock p.m., on the same day and at the same place, nominations for the office of Councillor will be received. Two councillors are to be elected.

Councillors are to be elected for the following Electoral Divisions: Division No. 4 and Division No. 5.

Given under my hand at Didsbury, this 3rd day of February, 1942

H. L. TAGGART,
Returning Officer

NOTICE

For Nominations for Elections

M.D. of Westerdale No 311
Municipal Elections, 1942

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that a meeting of the Electors of the Municipal District of Westerdale No. 311 will be held at the Westerdale Community Hall at one o'clock p.m. on Saturday, February 21st, 1942, for the discussion of affairs of the district; and that from three o'clock p.m. to four o'clock p.m., on the same day and at the same place, nominations for the office of Councillor will be received. Two councillors are to be elected.

Councillors are to be elected for the following Electoral Divisions: Division No. 2 and Division No. 3.

Given under my hand at Didsbury, this 3rd day of February, 1942

GEORGE YOUNG,
Returning Officer



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